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REVIEW OF CONGRESS

Doings of the Extraordinary Session Just Closed.

TARIFF THE ABSORBING FEATURE

Its Consideration Lasted Exactly Two Months in the Senate, Other Bills Being Taken Up Between Times. Others Considered.

Washington, July 25.—The extraordinary session of congress which has just closed was called by President McKinley two days after he took the oath of office on the steps of the capitol. It met in pursuance to his proclamation at noon March 15. The special message transmitted by him to both houses on the opening day was brief. It explained the deficiencies in the revenues, reviewed the bond issues of the last administration and urged congress to promptly correct the then existing condition by passing a tariff bill that would supply ample revenues for the support of the government and the liquidation of the public debt. No other subject of legislation was mentioned in the message, and the tariff bill has been the all absorbing feature of the session. The Republican members of the ways and means committee of the preceding house had been at work throughout the short session which ended March 4, giving hearings and preparing the bill which was to be submitted at the extra session. Three days after the session opened the tariff bill was reported to the house by the ways and means committee, and 13 days later, March 21, it passed the house. It went to the senate, was referred to the committee on finance, and the Republican members of that committee spent a month and three days in its consideration and in preparing the amendments. May 4, its consideration was begun in the senate. It passed the senate May 10, and exactly two months later, July 25, it passed the house. It was amended by 72 amendments. The bill then went to conference, where, after a 10 days' struggle, on July 17 a complete agreement was reached, by which the senate receded from 113 amendments and the house from 511. The others, 243 in number, were compromised. The conference report was adopted by the house July 19 at the conclusion of 12 hours of continuous debate. The report was taken up in the senate July 20 and adopted Saturday, July 24. The tariff bill was signed by the president the same day.

Other Work Besides the Tariff. Congress did not devote its attention entirely to the tariff, though it did subordinate everything else to this one measure. The four appropriation bills which failed on March 4 last in themselves would have compelled President McKinley to call congress in extra session even if the necessity for a revision of the tariff had not existed. Those appropriation bills were the sundry civil, the agricultural, the Indian and the general deficiency. These bills were introduced and passed by the house in the identical form in which they existed at the time of their failure of enactment into law at the preceding congress, but they were amended in some important particulars by the senate, and when they finally became laws contained more or less new legislation of interest and importance. The general deficiency carried a provision accepting the invitation to take part in the Paris exposition in 1900 and appropriated \$25,000 to defray preliminary expenses and appropriated \$150,000 for a new immigrant station at New York to replace the one destroyed by fire. By far the most important piece of new legislation in the bill, however, was that limiting the cost of armor plate for the new battleships to \$200 per ton. In case the secretary of the navy should find it impossible to make contracts for armor within the price fixed he was authorized by this provision to take steps to establish a government armor factory of sufficient capacity to make the armor. In executing this authority he must prepare a description and plans and specifications of the land, buildings and machinery suitable for the factory, advertise for proposals and report to congress at its next session.

The Indian Bill. In the Indian bill, after a severe struggle in both houses, the question of sectarian schools was settled by the following declaration of the policy of the government:

"That the secretary of the interior may make contracts with contract schools, apportioning as near as may be the amount so contracted for among schools of various denominations for the education of Indian pupils during the fiscal year 1898, but shall only make such contracts at places where nonsectarian schools have not been provided for such Indian children and to an amount not exceeding 40 per centum of the amount so used for the fiscal year 1895."

The question of opening to entry the rich gilsonite deposits in the Uncompahgre reservation in Utah was also compromised by opening such agricultural lands as have not been allotted to the Uncompahgre Indians on April 1, 1898, to entry, but reserving to the United States title in all lands containing gilsonite asphalt or other like substances.

In the sundry civil bill the most important new provision was that suspending the order of President Cleveland setting aside about 21,000,000 acres as forest reservations. The law also includes a general scheme of legislation for the government and protection of the forest reservations of the country. The Republican leaders of the house decided at the opening of the session to pursue a policy of inaction in order to throw the responsibility for delaying the tariff bill upon the senate, and therefore the committees were not announced until the close of the session,

and only urgent matters were considered. Fifty thousand dollars were appropriated for the relief of American citizens in Cuba at the solicitation of the president \$200,000 was appropriated for the relief of the Mississippi flood sufferers, a resolution was passed authorizing the secretary of the navy to transport supplies contributed for the relief of the poor and famishing in India, and \$50,000 were appropriated for the entertainment and expenses of the delegates to the universal postal convention, who met in this city. The only extensive pieces of general legislation enacted by this congress, except the tariff bill, were the laws to prevent collisions at sea and to place in force regulations to prevent collisions upon certain harbors, rivers and inland waters of the United States and the bill authorizing the president to suspend discriminating duties on foreign vessels and commerce.

Senate's Miscellaneous Business. The senate not being confined as to the scope of its legislation dealt with a number of important subjects both in and out of executive session. One of these, which attracted worldwide attention, was the general arbitration treaty with Great Britain. After exhaustive consideration, despite the great pressure brought to bear upon the senate by religious and commercial bodies throughout the country, the senate rejected the treaty. The Hawaiian treaty of annexation, negotiated by President McKinley, was still unacted upon when congress adjourned. In open session, after much debate, the senate passed the Cuban belligerency resolution, a bankruptcy bill, including both voluntary and involuntary features, and the "free homes bill." But none of those important questions received consideration in the house.

The following minor bills and joint resolutions became laws, managing to escape objection from any member: Authorizing the secretary of war to receive for instruction at the Military academy at West Point Carlos Gutierrez of Salvador; to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the entry of lands in Grise county, O. T. to give preference rights to settlers and other purposes," approved Jan. 18; reappropriating \$10,000 not expended for the relief of the Mississippi river flood sufferers for the flood sufferers at El Paso, Tex.; authorizing foreign exhibitors at the Transmississippi and International exposition, to be held in the city of Omaha during the year 1898, to bring to the United States foreign laborers from their countries for the purpose of preparing for and making exhibits; to provide for the immediate repair of drydock No. 3 at the New York navy yard; making appropriation for the improvement of the Mississippi river from the head of the passes to the mouth of the Ohio river and to supply deficiencies in appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 3, and three bills authorizing the construction of bridges across Pearl river, Miss., the St. Louis river between Minnesota and Wisconsin and across Clinch river, Tenn.

RIVERA CONVALESCENT.

Removed to the Cabanas Fortress After Treatment at a Hospital.

Havana, July 25.—General Ruis Rivera, the insurgent leader who succeeded Antonio Maceo in Pinar del Rio and who, with his chief of staff, Colonel Excalibur, was captured in March last after having been seriously wounded, has recovered from the effects of his wounds and the illness from which he suffered.

He has been removed from the hospital to the Cabanas fortress. General Rivera, according to the officials, expresses himself as well satisfied with the treatment he received while in the hospital. It was found not to be necessary to perform an operation for the removal of the tumor from which General Rivera suffered.

AGED WOMAN TORTURED.

Masked Robbers Compel Her to Give Them \$1,500.

Wheeler, July 24.—News has just reached here of the torture and robbery by six masked men on Tuesday night of Mrs. Shreve, 60 years old, who lived alone near Smithfield, in the Sistersville oil region. The men tied the old lady up by the thumbs, beat her cruelly with switches and burned her feet with candles. She then told them where \$1,500 was secreted. The robbers secured the money and went.

Mrs. Shreve had \$5,000 in gold hidden in another part of the house which the men failed to get. The woman may not recover from the effects of her injuries.

Rev. Dr. Dana Dead.

Brooklyn, July 25.—Rev. Dr. Malcom McGregor Dana died at his home yesterday. He had been ill for a long time of a complication of ailments, and his death had been hourly expected for several weeks past. Malcom McGregor Dana was born in Brooklyn about 60 years ago. He was graduated from Amherst college in 1859 and from Union Theological seminary in 1863, beginning his ministerial career in Winstoning, Conn.

Death of a Prominent Southern Lawyer.

Memphis, July 25.—Colonel George Gantt, member of the law firm of Gantt & Patterson, ex-Congressman Josiah Patterson being the other partner, died at Cooperswell, Miss., aged 74 years. Colonel Gantt was probably one of the greatest criminal lawyers in the south. He prosecuted Colonel H. Clay Kink, who killed David Poston, and defended Alice Mitchell, one of the principals in the celebrated Mitchell-Ward tragedy.

Gomez Will Not Compromise.

Madrid, July 25.—It is stated General Maximo Gomez, the leader of the Cuban insurgents, has reaffirmed his determination not to accept a compromise with the government, but to adhere to his demand for the absolute independence of Cuba.

SUMMER RESORT FIRE

The Springs House at Richfield Springs Destroyed.

ALL THE GUESTS MADE THEIR ESCAPE

Mayor Strong of New York Was Among the Boarders, and He Got Out "Without Losing a Toothpick"—Some Escapes of the People.

Utica, N. Y., July 25.—The Springs House at Richfield Springs has been almost completely destroyed by fire, which caught in the laundry. There were 100 guests in the house, 70 of them from New York and Philadelphia and 100 employees of the hotel. Every person in the building, so far as known, escaped. The night before the hotel was the scene of one of the season's most brilliant hops, which broke up at midnight. An hour later the cry of fire was heard. The flames progressed slowly through the various parts of the hotel, and everybody had ample time to get out, except the employees, who occupied quarters in the vicinity of the laundry.

Among the guests were Dr. Joseph L. Anderson, Washington; Mrs. Richard Arnold, W. K. Baxter and family; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Bosworth, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Bryant, Miss Florence Bryant, George W. Blake, New York; Mrs. E. L. Beale and family, Philadelphia; Mrs. H. M. Brown and daughter, Providence; ex-Consul General P. Collins, Boston; Judge and Mrs. Henry M. Clinton, William Russell Case, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Crawford, New York; Mrs. A. Coates, Miss Coates, Philadelphia; Mrs. Bamberge S. Clark, Tarrytown; Mrs. J. M. Durand, Mr. and Mrs. L. Duham, Henry Wildred, Mr. and Mrs. E. Holmes, Thomas Hiller, Colonel and Mrs. Lawrence Kip, Mrs. John Kelly, Mayor and Mrs. William L. Strong, New York.

The Mayor Takes His Time.

Mayor Strong was in the part of the hotel that was last burned. The fire reached his quarters three hours after it started. He took his time in dressing, and as he afterward said, "without losing a toothpick."

As usual in such cases many of the guests saved their less valuable possessions, carrying out hand boxes and leaving their money and jewelry behind. Rev. George Reynolds went through the hastily vacated rooms and literally filled his pockets with money, watches, diamonds and jewelry of all kinds. Frank Vanderveer found 11 pocketbooks that had been left behind by their owners. They found claimants for most of the property.

Colonels Magruder and Kip were early alarmed and were among the first to go down, leaving property that was afterward restored to them from the immense piles of articles thrown together in the street. Judge Clinton felt at no time the need of haste. Mrs. Clinton gathered her diamonds and went out coolly. John D. McCord of Philadelphia, an aged man, was awakened by pounding on his door and cries of fire in the corridor. He put on his wooden leg and clothing and went down the elevator. Ex-Consul General Collins saved nearly all his effects. Dr. Bryant disclaims anything like a thrilling experience. He dressed and gained the outside without incident.

But few will leave Richfield on account of the fire. It is probable that T. R. Proctor, the proprietor of the hotel, will replace the burned structure with brick buildings. The loss is estimated at \$200,000; insurance \$75,000.

After a Murder Suspect.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., July 25.—The police who are working on the Nichols murder case at Bridgeport attach great importance to the belief of the Dutchess county authorities that one of the murderers was Leonard Mason, the erstwhile leader of a gang in this county. Detective Meehan of the Pinkerton agency has been here looking up Mason's record. He procured a photograph of the desperado and went from here to Sing Sing prison to interview Mason's former pal, Andy McCabe, who is serving 10 years there. The police here have been asked by New York headquarters, Bridgeport and other places for full descriptions of Mason.

Fired Into a Crowd of Boys.

Chicago, July 25.—James O'Donnell, who lives the life of a recluse, shot into a crowd of small boys who were playing ball near his home. Thomas Good, aged 12, and Frank Spears, aged 8, colored, were badly wounded. Spears will probably die. As soon as the shooting became known an angry mob of neighbors surrounded O'Donnell's home, where he had hidden. The timely arrival of a patrol wagon saved his life, but by a narrow margin, as the mob surrounded the wagon, and the officers were forced to fight to protect their prisoner. O'Donnell said the boys annoyed him with their noise.

The Consular Fee System.

Washington, July 24.—It is said at the state department that considerable misapprehension exists as to the effect of the changes made in the consular regulations, so far as they affect the fees collected by these officers. The revision will touch both the official and the unofficial fees, but it is said that in no case will the fees on invoices in Great Britain be reimposed, as has been alleged.

Buffalonians Tired of Living.

Buffalo, July 25.—Mary Bartholomew, poor, paralyzed and in constant ill health, committed suicide with poison. James Anderson, a Swede, from brooding over the loss of a sum of money, became temporarily insane and tried to cut his throat with a butcher knife. He is yet alive, but not likely to recover.

STRIKE CONFERENCE.

Eugene V. Debs the First Leader to Arrive at Wheeling.

WILL CONSIDER HOW TO PROCEED.

May Call Upon Firemen, Brakemen and Conductors to Refuse to Haul West Virginia Coal—Engineers Will Not Join the Movement.

Wheeling, July 25.—Eugene V. Debs will be the first of the labor leaders to arrive in Wheeling to attend the conference of executive officers of the various labor organizations of the country called by President Ratchford of the Miners' union to consider ways and means to bring success to the coal strike.

He comes from Fairmont this afternoon and will be met by a committee on reception appointed by the Ohio Valley Trades and Labor assembly. Advice received by local labor leaders are that nearly all of the executive officials of the national labor organizations will come to Wheeling for tomorrow's conference.

As to the outcome of the conference, there is much uncertainty, though it is claimed that the result will be the calling upon the firemen, brakemen and conductors to refuse to haul trains carrying West Virginia coal. There is no hope of ability to have the railroad engineers join in this movement. In fact, the Brotherhood of Engineers will not be represented in the conference.

Three Meetings at Fairmont.

Fairmont, W. Va., July 25.—Debs held three good meetings at the various mines yesterday and is confident that the men will not say he expects the move immediately. The general impression is that if the break is not made today it will not be made at all. It is hard to tell what the men will do when the time comes. The operators have succeeded in keeping many of them from the meetings, and it looks as easy to keep them in the mines. Mahon has left for Clarksburg, where he and Rea addressed a good meeting.

All the mines are guarded by deputies, and no men are allowed on the company's grounds, and rumors of all kinds are afloat, but no trouble is expected. Today will certainly settle the strike one way or the other, so far as this region is concerned.

Views of a Leading Labor Man.

Pittsburg, Kan., July 25.—A leading labor man who has been national president of one of the greatest labor organizations in the United States said: "The operators must not think they can smuggle coal out of Kansas to go into strike territory. It is one of the doctrines of organized labor that whenever one set of men commence to do work that is to the injury of organized labor the work becomes scab work. The miners of southern Kansas are union men. As long as they mine coal for Kansas and territory which they have been accustomed to supply they are occupying neutral ground and are not interfering. When they mine coal to be used in territory usually supplied by miners who are striking, they become in the eyes of organized labor what we call scabs."

"It makes no difference if the Burlington coal which was transferred in Kansas City a few days ago was for the use of the Burlington or to be furnished to other railroads. If it is used by the Burlington in territory that has been supplied from points in Illinois where there is a strike, the coal is nonunion coal as soon as it gets into strike territory."

Delegates Sent to Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Kan., July 25.—The mine operators' yesterday's conference claimed they had unmistakable evidence that the Illinois strikers had sent about 14 delegates here to agitate a strike in all the important mines. The delegates came quietly and dealt with the delegates selected by the several mines to the convention only.

The strong argument used with the Kansas miners was that Kansas holds the key to the situation westward; that if Kansas went out the railroads would bring the operators to terms.

Operators say that it will make no difference whether Kansas, with only 10,000 miners, goes out or stays in, but the miners see in the extra work and storing of coal that goes on a desire on the part of operators to fortify themselves against a strike. They are also suspicious that coal from Kansas mines is to be smuggled into strike territory.

Purchase of a Smelting Company's Plant.

Omaha, July 25.—The Omaha Grant Smelting company has announced that has completed the purchase of the Plant Boy Smelting company's plant at Kootenay Bay, British Columbia. President Nash says this move is necessitated by the high rate imposed on lead ore in the new tariff bill. In a year the Omaha Grant company has paid \$90,000 in import duties on ore from Kootenay mines, but cannot afford to import ore at the new tariff rate.

Defaulting County Clerk Arrested.

Knoxville, July 25.—W. H. Stine, the defaulting county clerk of Murray county, Minn., was arrested here. Stine acknowledges his guilt, but says his bondsmen have about paid up his shortage. Stine was prominent in politics and was assistant clerk in the recent Minnesota legislature.

Suicide of a Broker.

Boston, July 25.—Yesterday afternoon George Troffiter, a thread commission broker, 27 years old, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head in his office, 77 Bedford street.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN.

New York's Big Amusement Company to Be Reorganized.

New York, July 25.—J. P. Morgan & Co. are soon to undertake the reorganization of the Madison Square Garden company. The garden will probably be sold on the foreclosure of the second mortgage, subject to the first mortgage of \$1,250,000 and unpaid taxes of about \$100,000. A new company will then be organized with a capital stock of \$1,250,000. The following notice has been sent to the holders of second mortgage bonds:

"This company has never earned a net profit, except in 1892-3 and 1895-6. During the last fiscal year it has not earned fixed charges and defaulted in payment of interest due on first and second mortgage bonds May 1 last. It will also be obliged to default interest due on Nov. 1. On that date it will owe \$270,500 additional interest and taxes and \$45,000 of borrowed money."

"It therefore seems desirable that a reorganization should take place immediately. To this end a committee was appointed to carry out such reorganization. The plan includes the issue of \$200,000 of second mortgage 6 per cent income bonds, \$750,000 of 7 per cent non-cumulative preferred stock and \$500,000 of common stock."

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

An Alleged Cousin of Robert G. Ingersoll Takes a Dose of Laudanum.

New York, July 25.—Enoch Ingersoll, who is said to be a second cousin of Robert G. Ingersoll, has attempted to commit suicide in Bodskey's drugstore in Bath Beach, Brooklyn, by taking an ounce of laudanum. Mr. Ingersoll was in a despondent mood on account of some troubles, the nature of which he would not disclose. He entered the drug store and asked for one ounce of laudanum.

He was waited on by Dr. Bodskey. After getting the poison Mr. Ingersoll turned as if to leave the store, and on reaching the door he called out "Good-by," and, putting the bottle to his lips, swallowed the contents. Before the druggist could reach the man he was unconscious.

Antidotes were administered and the ambulance summoned from Coney Island. After three hours' hard work by several physicians who were summoned Mr. Ingersoll was restored to consciousness.

When it was found that the attempt at suicide would not prove successful, Mr. Ingersoll was locked up, charged with attempting suicide.

A MARINE CURIOSITY.

An Immense Brain Stone Brought Here From Bermuda.

New York, July 25.—There were on board the steamer Orinoco, which has just arrived from Bermuda, C. E. Brush, F. W. Carpenter and W. H. Everett of New York university, belonging to Professor Bean's party, who have been in Bermuda for the past two months collecting specimens of fish and other marine life of the island of Bermuda.

Among the interesting specimens collected by these professors and students is an immense brain stone, of coral formation, measuring 9 feet 8 inches in circumference and weighing from 800 to 1,000 pounds. This stone was taken from the waters of Castle harbor, the most interesting and prolific portion of the island for scientists and specialists.

This brain stone is said to be the largest and best specimen ever brought from Bermuda. It will probably be placed on exhibition at the Museum of Natural History in this city.

Danger of Indian War in Alaska.

Port Townsend, Wash., July 25.—From a miner who came down from Alaska on the Portland it is learned that 200 Indians of the Stick tribe were contemplating coming to the coast at the head of Dyea inlet for the purpose of packing freight across the divide and rattling it across the lakes and down the Yukon river to the mining fields. If the intention is carried out, Alaska will have a full fledged Indian war, as the Chilkat tribe has always warned the Sticks and other interior tribes not to come to the coast to engage in any industries. The work of packing freight over the divide has long been monopolized by the Chilkats.

The White Whale Dead.

New York, July 25.—"Selzer," the white whale brought from the St. Lawrence river, died on Saturday in the tank at the Aquarium. On the previous day the whale ate several eels, and Dr. Bean, when he opened the former, found a portion of a partly digested eel clogged in the blowhole. The whale, he said, had overloaded its stomach, and in the effort to vomit the fish had choked the blowhole, and death followed the mishap.

Man and Wife Killed by a Train.

Utica, July 25.—John Phelps, aged 28 years, a clerk, and his wife, aged 17, were instantly killed by a train on the West Shore railroad. They were seen struggling before the train struck them, and it is thought the man intended to cause the death of his wife and himself. He had been heard to threaten her.

Poughkeepsie Incendiaries at Work.

Poughkeepsie, July 25.—A firebug has caused alarm among the residents of Wappingers Falls. On Friday night two barns, worth \$6,000, on the Colgate estate were burned, and Saturday night two other barns in the suburbs of the village were destroyed by the incendiary.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

Punxsutawney, Pa., July 25.—A boiler explosion in the lumber mill of Kipp & Kiser at Cortez killed Pete Duff and seriously injured ten others. The mill is badly wrecked. A 14 foot piece of the boiler was blown 400 feet. Two hundred men will be thrown out of work.

NEW YORK MARKETS

Efforts of Other Cities to Keep Buyers Away Frustrated.

SPECIAL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD.

Any Merchant in Good Standing May Join the Merchants' Association, Whose Members Only Can Obtain Reduced Rates.

New York, July 25.—The efforts of the merchants of St. Louis, Chicago and other cities to prevent the buyers in their respective neighborhoods from visiting New York have not met with the success those unwilling to compete with this city on equal terms hoped for. Dates have been fixed for the sale of special tickets throughout the most important commercial regions of the United States to members of the Merchants' association who desire to take advantage of the reduced rate.

The Joint Traffic association, from all points within its territory, will sell these tickets from Aug. 7 to Aug. 10, inclusive, and from Aug. 27 to Aug. 30, inclusive, good for 30 days.

The railroads in the Trunk Line association will sell the merchants' tickets from Sept. 1 to 4, inclusive, and from Sept. 19 to 24, inclusive, also good for 30 days.

Only members of the Merchants' association are entitled to these tickets. Any merchant in good standing who lives outside the limits of New York and Brooklyn may join without cost by sending his name for membership to the association headquarters.

Members will pay the full rate of fare for coming to New York. Upon reaching the city they will go to the New York Life building and obtain a certificate countersigned by the association. This certificate, presented at the office of the railroad upon which the merchant came to New York, will entitle him to a reduction, which will make the cost of the journey one and one-third fare for the round trip. The tickets may be used by the immediate families and buyers of members.

Territory of the Association.

The territory of the Joint Traffic association extends from St. Louis and Chicago on the west south to the Ohio river and eastward to the points of connection with the lines in the Trunk line territory, which are at Buffalo and Pittsburgh; with the line running through the intermediate terminal points of Salamanca, Wheeling and Parkersburg.

Persons living in the territory of the Western Traffic and Southwestern Traffic associations, which are the points west of Chicago and St. Louis, and generally west of the Mississippi to the southward to the Gulf, who are members of the association and who desire to come to New York for the purpose of making their purchases, will find tickets on sale at Chicago and St. Louis between the dates named for Joint Traffic territory.

The territory under the jurisdiction of the Trunk Line association extends eastward to the New England states, north of the line of the Ohio. Tickets sold in its territory will give the holder the privilege of stopping over in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

The Merchants' association has rejected the proposition of the Southeastern Traffic association to run open excursions to New York, because it has guaranteed that no tickets issued to its members shall be used unlawfully or placed in the hands of scalpers. It could not be responsible for tickets sold to persons not members.

Killed by a Peculiar Accident.

Chester, Pa., July 25.—J. B. Campbell, ex-city clerk of Chester, was killed by a most peculiar accident. He was one of a party standing on the government pier awaiting the Wilmington (Del.) passenger steambot. A steam tug which was lying at the pier with a hawser attached to a post began to move, and the hawser, becoming taut, slipped over the top of the post and whirling through the air caught Campbell under the chin. The rope encircled itself tightly about his neck, lifted the unfortunate man ten feet in the air and then dropped him to the pier. His neck was broken, and he was found to be dead when the horror-stricken spectators ran to assist him.

Kansas' Prohibitory Law.

Topeka, July 25.—Renewed activity in the effort to enforce the prohibitory law is being manifested throughout the state. Temperance people have become alarmed over the boldness of the jointists and are stirring up the officials to suppress the violators. Judge Guthrie, who has been keeping close watch on the temperance situation in the state, says that the wave of prohibitory law enforcement is very likely to increase until the running of saloons, except possibly in the large cities, will become a hazardous undertaking.

Suicide in Brooklyn.

New York, July 25.—Patrolman Conlin found a man about 25 years of age dead on Eastern parkway, near Brooklyn avenue, Brooklyn. A bottle which contained carbolic acid found near by told a story of self destruction, while in one of the pockets was discovered a letter addressed to Frederick G. Davidson of Brooklyn, in which he stated that he had been turned out of his house and had no money or place to go and that he was writing in the dark, where he hoped soon to go.

Car Inspector Run Over.

Norwich, N. Y., July 25.—A milk train on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad ran over and killed Car Inspector Michael Fendergast in this village. Fendergast was going south on his handicap, having been ordered to Bristol to repair an engine.

To the Young Face

Posson's COMPLEXION POWDER gives fresher charms; to the old, renewed youth. Try it.

BEFORE THE SURROGATE.**What Has Been Going on in Surrogate Howell's Court.**

Report of proceedings before Surrogate O. P. Howell, ending July 20, 1897.

WILLS ADMITTED.

The wills of the following persons have been admitted to probate:

Last will and testament of Nancy H. Campbell, late of the town of Woodbury, James M. Campbell, executor; of Thornton Dawson, late of the town of Montgomery, Edward Whitehead and Mary L. Dawson, executors.

ADMINISTRATION.

The following letters of administration have been granted:

On the estate of Jennie McKain Jessup, late of the town of Goshen, to Seneca Jessup, father; of Catharine J. Hanford, late of the town of Minisink, to William H. Foster, brother; of David P. Ayres, late of the town of Wallkill, to George Ayres, son; of Amos Fisher, late of the town of Deep Park, to Elizabeth Manning, daughter; of John Stevenson, late of the town of Blooming Grove, to Charles Boyle, creditor; of Mary L. Cox, late of the town of Wallkill, to George N. Cox, widow; of Margaret J. Decker, late of the city of Middletown, to Maggie A. Sloat, daughter; of Samuel Wair, late of the State of Florida, who died leaving assets in the County of Orange, to Margaret B. Miller, sister; of Theron Snider, late of the town of Montgomery, to James Mitchell, friend.

DECREES.

The following decrees have been entered:

In the matter of the judicial accounting of George N. Joyce and Robert H. Dolson, executors of, etc., of Elinor Joyce, late of the city of Middletown; of Thos. L. Quinlan, general guardian of, etc., of Grace Jones, late a minor; of Mary A. Sears, trustee of and under the last will and testament of John Erskine, late of the town of Crawford; of A. B. Hulse, administrator of, etc., of Edmund Burroughs, late of the town of Monroe. Also in the same estate, distributing the balance of the proceeds of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of his debts; of Charles L. Mead, general guardian of, etc., of Marshall D. Walthall, late a minor; of William Hughes, executor of, etc., of Henry Hughes, late of the town of Goshen; of James J. Vance and Albert H. I. Seeger, executors of, etc., of Electa Place, late of the town of Blooming Grove; of Mary F. Anderson, executrix of, etc., of Calvin Anderson, late of the town of Monroe; of James H. Hart, executor of, etc., of Julia Hart, late of the town of Montgomery; of Roswell C. Coleman, executor of, etc., of Thomas N. Hulse, late of the town of Blooming Grove.

TO HANDLE THE CROWD.

Supt. Urban Will Take Care of All Who Come to the Erie Conductors' Claim Bake, August 5th.

Supt. Urban has about completed his arrangements for handling the crowds expected on the day of the Erie conductors' claim bake at Midway Park, August 5th. He will have thirteen cars, which will run from East Main street and Railroad avenue after 10 o'clock in the morning to Midway Park when trains arrive, and to the Square after that. These will accommodate from eleven to twelve hundred people each trip.

There will be one car, closed, on the city line, running from Genung street to the band stand at the North End, and there will be one cross-town car, closed, which will be run to Bond street only. The Goshen end will be taken care of by one car.

Middletowners at Coney Island.

The Ontario and Western excursion was popular yesterday. Light carloads of people were aboard the special train which left here at 8:25. They made all connections perfectly, and reached the Island in time for dinner.

The train reached here at 9:40, returning.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

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Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. If you want to quit tobacco using easily and forever, be made well, strong, magnetic, full of new life and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. Many gain ten pounds in ten days. Over 400,000 cured. Buy No-To-Bac of your druggist, under guarantee to cure, 50c or \$1.00. Booklet and sample mailed free. Ad. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

What seems but a case of simple diarrhoea frequently develops into the most dangerous of bowel troubles if neglected. Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry is a never-failing specific in all such cases.

Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

FACTS ARE STUBBORN.**It Middletown People Are Not Convinced by Local Testimony They Differ From Other People.**

Our readers must have noticed in the past two years how "cures" have multiplied in the newspapers like mushrooms in a meadow and following the plethora of "cures" the general public have turned remarkably skeptical. Facts are demanded, but it has become almost essential to know who supplies them, where they are from, in fine, whom have you cured. Doubting Thomas will not accept at par incredible cures on the other side of the continent. His wants it at home. "Give us some neighbor, then I will believe," is what he asks for. Well, Doan's Kidney Pills do this. Call it what you like, at home, local or neighbor's testimony, you can always ascertain the truth of it without leaving the city limits. Here is a case:

Mrs. Melissa Johnson, of 45 James street, says:

"For the last four or five years I have been troubled with kidney disorder that weakened me so much that it was tiresome to move around and long walks were impossible. If I caught cold or was exposed to change in the weather I always was seized with a pain in the loins. I noticed an advertisement about Doan's Kidney Pills in a local newspaper, and I also heard them well spoken about. This induced me to procure a box from J. E. Mills' drug store. They helped me from the first. I feel better in every way and I am able to walk around as much as I like. I have always a good word to say for Doan's Kidney Pills."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cts. per box, or six boxes for \$2.50; for sale by all dealers; sent by mail on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

Pine Apple Dyspepsia Cordial.

It has recently been discovered that the juice of the pine apple rapidly digests both animal and vegetable food and is nature's greatest digestive. The Pine Apple Dyspepsia Cordial combines with the delicious juice of the pine apple other grateful and superior stomach tonics which renders it the most marvelous discovery and cure known for indigestion, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, sour stomach, weight and tenderness in stomach, nausea and sick stomach, headache, sleeplessness, frightful dreams, and all troubles arising from disease of the stomach or disordered digestion. It is delicious to take and on account of its wonderful digestive power gives almost instant relief. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, No. 2 Empire Block, Middletown.

Would Not Do Without Dr. Hand's Colic Cure.

MEMPHIS, N. Y., Nov. 11, '95.—The Hand Medicine Co.—"Our baby, now nearly four months old, has been troubled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At first we tried the usual remedies, but until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure found nothing that would give relief. Now we would not think of being without your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's Remedies for Children, 25 cents. At all druggists.

An Important Question.

If your friends or neighbors are suffering from coughs, colds, sore throat, or any throat or lung diseases (including consumption,) ask them if they have ever used Otto's Cure. This famous German remedy is having a large sale here and is performing some wonderful cures of throat and lung diseases. J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, will give you a sample bottle free. No matter what other medicines have failed to do, try Otto's Cure. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

Chronic Rheumatism Cured.

Dr. H. B. Hettinger, Indianapolis, Ind., says: "For several months after spraining my ankle, I was severely afflicted with Rheumatism. I finally tried DeWitt's 'Mystic Cure' for Rheumatism, and in 4 days could walk without my cane; two bottles cured me sound and well. I take great pleasure in recommending the 'Mystic Cure' to all who are afflicted with Rheumatism." Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, North street, Middletown.

Look out for Minsi.

"They don't make much fuss about it," we are speaking of De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and all stomach and liver troubles. They never gripe. W. D. Olney.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"MYSTIC CURE" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits 75 cents. Sold by J. E. Mills, Druggist, Middletown.

Don't nauseate your stomach with teas and bitter herbs, but regulate your liver and sick headache by using those famous little pills known as De Witt's Little Early Risers. W. D. Olney.

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"I crave but One Minute," said the public speaker in a husky voice; and then he took a dose of One Minute Cough Cure, and proceeded with his oratory. One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled for throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

A 90-YEAR-OLD LIFE-SAVER.**Strange Old Samaritan of the Sea Who Lives on a Lonely Island.**

Peter W. Green, the governor of a group of three tiny islands of volcanic origin off the African coast in the South Atlantic, and geographically known as Tristan d'Acunha, is one of the most remarkable life-savers in the world, says the New York World. For 60 years and more he has made life-saving from shipwreck his business, having little else to do, as he expressed himself to a recent visitor, the captain of the English mail boat which touches at the islands once a year.

Mr. Green is a native of England and now in his 90th year. At the age of 30, when sailing before the mast on a British vessel, he was wrecked near Tristan, and he and several companions were saved by the exertions of the natives. His friends, some time later, were taken on board a passing ship, but Green remained there and in the following year was nominated governor of the islands because of his wisdom and the esteem in which he was held. The office he has held ever since, combining with it the duties of a clergyman and a doctor.

Green has always been on the lookout for persons and ships in distress and he has saved many hundred lives from certain death on the rocky coast, the rescued ones being of all nationalities. The governor has received decorations and medals from almost every monarch in the world in recognition of his humane efforts. The United States government presented him with a handsome gold chronometer and chain. His own sovereign, Queen Victoria, sent him recently a most appropriate present—namely, a life-saving boat, with apparatus of the newest models. The islands which he governs contain only from 55 to 60 inhabitants, poor natives, whom Gov. Green has educated to be, like himself, Samaritans of the sea.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Scores of the Baseball Games.

At Cincinnati—
Cincinnati 2 0 0 1 3 1 0 0 *—7
Brooklyn 2 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0—4
Cincinnati—Hits, 10; errors, 3. Brooklyn—Hits, 11; errors, 3.
Second game—
Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 6 2 3 0 *—11
Brooklyn 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—4
Cincinnati—Hits, 14; errors, 1. Brooklyn—Hits, 5; errors, 2.
At Chicago—
Chicago 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 *—1
Louisville 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Chicago—Hits, 6; errors, 0. Louisville—Hits, 7; errors, 3.
At Cleveland—
Cleveland 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1—5
Baltimore 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 1—6
Cleveland—Hits, 10; errors, 1. Baltimore—Hits, 13; errors, 3.
At St. Louis—
St. Louis 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 1—4
Washington 2 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—3
St. Louis—Hits, 12; errors, 2. Washington—Hits, 6; errors, 3.
Second game—
St. Louis 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Washington 0 3 0 1 1 0 2 0 1—8
St. Louis—Hits, 7; errors, 5. Washington—Hits, 10; errors, 0.

Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Boston	53	22	.707
Cincinnati	48	25	.658
Baltimore	43	26	.619
New York	44	30	.595
Cleveland	42	33	.560
Pittsburgh	35	39	.473
Philadelphia	37	42	.468
Louisville	34	44	.434
Chicago	35	44	.443
Brooklyn	32	43	.427
Washington	29	48	.387
St. Louis	17	69	.221

CONDENSED DISPATCHES

Clarence A. Seward, president of the Union club of New York, died at Geneva, N. Y.

Jim Sellers, a negro murderer, was taken from the county jail at Pittsburg, Calhoun county, Miss., and shot to death by a mob.

Elizabeth Spiliter died in the poorhouse at Crown Point, Ind., aged 99 years. She was undoubtedly the oldest woman in northern Indiana.

Work has completely suspended at Barcelona, Spain, owing to strikes and disturbances arising from political disputes between masters and men.

The Grade sugar plant at Peoria, Ill., has been destroyed by fire. The total loss is estimated at \$500,000. The total insurance carried was \$400,000.

Among the nominations which failed of confirmation by the senate was that of Terence V. Powderly of Pennsylvania to be commissioner of immigration.

Beat the Record.

St. Cloud, Minn., July 26.—James H. Maybury, a local sprinter, ran 100 yards in 14 2-5 seconds, reducing the world's record one-fifth of a second. The track was in bad condition but he accomplished the work with seemingly slight exertion.

Albany Man's Sudden Death. Whitehall, N. Y., July 26.—Dayton Ball, a prominent citizen and manufacturer of Albany, dropped dead at Hague on Lake George. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause of Mr. Ball's sudden death.

Taken With Cramps and Drowned. Sharon, Mass., July 26.—While bathing in Wollolopog pond Owen Finnegan, a farm laborer, was drowned within 50 feet of the shore. He was an expert swimmer, but was taken with cramps.

Arrival of a Consul. New York, July 26.—Among the passengers who have arrived per steamer Orinoco from Bermuda was Marshall Hanger, United States consul at Bermuda.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 26.—Showers to-night and Tuesday.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, today:
7 a. m., 66°; 12 m., 67°; 3 p. m., 70°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—July 26—Walking match at Midway Park.
—July 29—Clam bake and excursion to Burlington via O. and N. Railroad.
—Aug. 1—Excursion to Echo Lake, via N. Y. S. and W. Railroad.
—Aug. 5—Clam bake at Midway Park.
—Aug. 10—Orange County Circuit, at Fair Grounds.
—August 18—Millard Division's clam bake, at Liberty.
—Aug. 19—Mapes family picnic, at Columbia Park.
—Aug. 27—Prohibition picnic, at Midway Park.

MONDAY, JULY 26, 1897.

The Boston Herald, discussing the duty on hides, says that the rebate allowed on exported sole leather means that we furnish cheaper leather to the English, French and Germans than we do to our own people, and hence enable them to undersell our shoe manufacturers in the Central and South American markets. That is one way to foster American industries and protect American labor.

The Argus's suggestion that Miss Emma Hulse be made the people's candidate for the Middletown post office has been received with very general favor by all except a few Republican politicians. There is no one more worthy or more competent, no one whose selection would give such general satisfaction. It would be a master stroke of politics for the McKinley Leaguers to drop their impossible candidate, Mr. Dayton, and rally in support of Miss Hulse. They would knock the machine out in the first round and gain the prestige of a great moral victory. More than this, they would show that they are not selfish spoilsmen and are inspired by worthier motives than the "old gang," and this done, their battle for the control of the organization would be more than half won.

Walton's assessors have obeyed implicitly the instructions sent them by the State Tax Commissioners and as a consequence have increased the town's assessment by nearly two-thirds. Last year's assessment of real estate was \$1,180,742. This year it is fifteen per cent. higher, the total being \$1,554,820. Last year the personal property assessment was \$127,675. This year it is \$536,675, all property in sight having been assessed, the stocks of corporations listed at full value and many mortgages and securities having been found. There is no doubt that under this assessment Walton will pay its full share of the State tax. It merely emphasizes what has been apparent to all who have looked into the change in assessments inaugurated by the Republican Tax Board that while the great cities will escape it will bear very heavily and very unjustly on villages and rural communities.

OBITUARY.

Clarence A. Seward.

Clarence A. Seward died at Goshen, N. Y., Saturday, at 3 p. m. Deceased was the only brother of the late Rev. Augustus Seward, D. D., and an uncle of D. F. Seward, of this city, and Clarence G. Seward, of Dohertytown.

Mrs. Jefferson R. Moore.

Mrs. Richard Martin, wife of Jefferson R. Moore, died at 12:25, this afternoon, at her home 16 Lake avenue. She was the mother of Mrs. Ella Moore, at Goshen in the public school.

A more extended obituary will appear to-morrow.

Mrs. Sarah J. Tryon.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Reye, widow of the late Schuyler Tryon, died at 1 o'clock, this morning, at her home near this city in her nineteenth year.

She is survived by a son, William L., and a daughter, Mary J., with whom she lived, also by a brother, Isaac Nelson Reye, of Port Jervis.

Mrs. Tryon was for many years a member of the First Presbyterian Church of this city.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

Proctor's Clam Bake at Greycourt.

A number of Middletowners will attend the clam bake at John R. Proctor's grove at Greycourt, Wednesday, July 28. Two bakes will be served at 12 m. and 7:30 p. m. A ball game between teams from Greycourt and Central Valley will take place at 3 p. m. But should rain the bakes will be held on Thursday.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures. The is what it was made for.

STOLE BRAKEMAN AVERY'S COAT

The Thief Captured and Roughly Handled—Held for Trial.

When William R. Avery, an O. and W. brakeman, entered the caboose of his train at Campbell Hall, Saturday afternoon, he discovered that his coat had disappeared. Looking up the track he saw a man running and at once recognized his coat on the fellow's back. He gave chase, and being a good sprinter, soon overhauled his man, whom he recognized as John Jordan, a well known character of this city. He made Jordan give up the coat and allowed him to go. When he returned to the caboose, however, he discovered that a number of papers, among them several receipts from the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, had been abstracted from the pockets.

He went after Jordan again and when the latter saw him coming he started to run again. After a long chase Avery caught his man, who made a motion as if to draw a revolver. Avery promptly knocked him down and when he arose he struck him again, knocking him down for the second time. Special Officer Grant Wilson, who happened to be at Campbell Hall, had followed Avery and he placed Jordan under arrest. Under a recent law a person committing a theft on a train in transit may be tried by any court of special sessions in the county in which the offense is committed and Jordan was accordingly brought to this city and arraigned before Recorder Barnes who committed him to Goshen jail until this morning.

Notwithstanding the fact that Jordan was caught red handed, he pleaded not guilty and demanded a jury trial which was set down for Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. He went to Goshen in default of \$800 for his appearance for trial.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Plans for an Increased Water Supply Discussed—An Adjournment Until To-night.

The Board of Water Commissioners met, Saturday evening, and discussed Engineer Olney's report on a pipe line to Highland Lake and other plans of water supply.

The meeting was private, but it is understood that the discussion was carried on in the best possible spirit and that there was more of a willingness to make concessions than there has been in the former talks on water supply.

Engineer Olney was present and furnished much valuable information.

The Board took no decisive action and adjourned until to-night when the matter will be again considered.

DIED FROM HIS INJURIES.

Erie Flagman Buchanan Succumbs to the Shock of Amputation.

George M. Buchanan, the Erie flagman, who caught his foot between a guard rail and the service rail at Greycourt, Friday night, and whose train backed down on him before he could release himself and crushed his leg from the knee down, did not recover from the shock of amputation, and died in the Port Jervis hospital, Saturday afternoon. He is survived by his wife and a daughter.

Look out for Mimi. d97tf

Will Visit Nova Scotia.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Fancher, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. James, of Essex, Mass., the latter a sister of Mrs. Fancher, will leave, next Thursday, for a three weeks' trip to Nova Scotia.

Dr. Howard Powelson will have charge of Dr. Fancher's practice during his absence.

Citizens' Electric Light Company.

The articles of incorporation of the Citizens' Electric Light and Power Company, of this city, have been filed at Albany. The incorporators are: J. E. Iseman, Thomas H. Desmond, R. H. Houston, T. E. Hayes, G. G. Orla, F. S. Rogers, H. C. McBrar, T. E. Hayes, R. C. Tatham, G. H. Iseman, Clarence Abrams and Louis Wolf.

Judgment Against the Central Club.

Dill & Cox, attorneys for Croser & Co., New York, have taken judgment against the Central Club, of this city, for \$165 alleged to be due for a barrel of whiskey. Deputy Sheriff Paulkner levied on a half barrel of whiskey remaining at the club.

Showing an Electric Heater.

Van R. Sill, of New York, patentee of an electric heater, has been showing it at C. H. Brink's, to-day. A company of New York capitalists will begin their manufacture here.

May Produce a Drama.

A special meeting of the 24th Separate Company will be held, Tuesday night, to vote on the project of producing a drama at the armory this fall.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

The Feast of St. Ann—The Next Game of Ball—The Lawn Festival—Pastor White's Vacation—Special Services at St. James'—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—To-day is the Feast of St. Ann and mass was said in St. John Evangelist's Church at 6 a. m.

—The Goshen base ball team will play a team from Greycourt at Goshen, next Saturday. It will be a good game. Greycourt will be strengthened by the battery of Agnew and Kelly. Goshen's battery will be O'Neal and O'Gorman.

—The farce, "Cupid in a Newburgh," to be presented at the lawn festival at C. M. Vail's residence, to-morrow evening, will commence at 7 o'clock in order that it may be finished before darkness. The cast includes the best of local talent and the subject of the farce should interest many Goshen people.

—During the absence of Mr. White on a three weeks' vacation, the following divines will officiate at the M. E. Church: Aug. 1, Rev. R. M. Roberts, of Ridgebury; Rev. J. C. Coleman, of Goshen; Aug. 8, Rev. F. T. Angerville, of Gardnertown, and Aug. 15, Rev. J. W. Leadbeater, of Florida.

—At the Episcopal Church, this week, special services will be held each evening. On Wednesday evening Rev. Mr. Aukettell, of Walden, and on Friday evening, Rev. Dr. Ward, of Kingston, will officiate. On Thursday evening there will be a reception at the rectory. Evening services are held at 7:30 o'clock and even song at 4:30.

—Miss Annie Straunt, of Brooklyn, is visiting her uncle, Conrad Rivercamp.

—Miss Denniston and Miss Jennie Denniston, of Brooklyn, are visiting in town.

Look out for Mimi. d97tf

FRONT OF HIS SKULL CRUSHED

A Goshen Man Injured by a Stone from a Blast at the Ottsville Crusher.

Henry Barnes, of Goshen, a carpenter employed by the Erie, who was repairing the stone crusher at Ottsville, was hit in the face, Friday afternoon, by a stone thrown by a blast. The front of his skull was crushed in and his face, nose and forehead badly cut. He was taken to the Port Jervis Hospital, where the splintered portions of the skull were removed.

The unfortunate man is still alive, this afternoon, but the physicians have no hopes his recovery. He has a wife and four children in Goshen.

Rev. Dr. Robinson's Vacation.

Rev. Dr. Robinson, of the First Congregational Church, will go on his vacation on four weeks after next Sunday. The church will probably be closed for two Sundays. Rev. Albert F. Pierce, of Danbury, Conn., a former pastor of the church, is expected to occupy the pulpit one Sunday.

Walter S. Weeks Was Second.

Walter S. Weeks finished second in the ten-mile road race at Rahway, Saturday afternoon, in 29 minutes. His prize is a \$50 diamond.

Amputated Samuel Foster's Left Foot.

Dr. Connor, assisted by Drs. Pillsbury, Powelson, Purdy and Redfield, amputated Samuel Foster's left foot just above the ankle, to-day, at Thrall Hospital.

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We have received the advance samples of Fall Suits, Overcoats and Trouserings, and are ready to take your order for your fall clothes. We have already taken quite a number of orders. We would be pleased to show our line. Balance of spring stock we will make up at a special reduction.

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Dated May 15th, 1897.
MARY E. STRUBLE, Administratrix.
D. F. SEWARD, Atty for Admins, 25 North St. Middletown, N. Y.

IN Pursuance of an order made by Hon. John J. Beattie, on the 17th day of May, 1897, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against John Perriman and Leon Simpson, lately doing business at No. 21 Depot Street, Middletown, Orange County, N. Y., under the firm name of Perriman & Simpson, both individually and as co-partners, that they are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers therefor, duly verified, to the subscriber, the assignee of the said John Perriman and Leon Simpson, for the benefit of creditors, at the office of his attorneys, on or before the 27th day of September, 1897.

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—New line of fancy shirts at John E. Adams.
—Shirt waists 25c up at Weller & Demerest's.
—Blend coffee 17c a pound at J. W. Slat's.
—New organdies 5c a yard at Geo. B. Adams & Co.
—See list of artists at Cottage Hotel.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local news.

—S. and W. clam bake, Sunday, at Echo Lake.

—Regular meeting of the Common Council, to-night.

—Walking match starts at 9 o'clock, to-night and to-morrow night.

—Sidney will spend \$1,000 in entertaining the firemen at its firemen's tournament, Aug. 4 and 5.

—A large black bear was seen a few evenings ago in J. L. Beardsley's potato patch, near Walton.

—Remember the S. and W. conductors' clam bake, Sunday next. Jack Sherwood gets up the bake which is an assurance of a fine one.

—There are so many patients at the Fishkill General Hospital that it has been necessary to erect a tent on the grounds for the accommodation of some of them.

—Italians who steal coal in Binghamton do so on a wholesale scale. In order to escape prosecution a family returned, Saturday, four tons that they had stolen from a dealer's yard.

—The Erie's new station at Rutherford is receiving the finishing touches. Rutherford people are very proud of the new building, which is said to be the handsomest and most complete along the line of the road with the exception of the one in this city.

—Starter Johnson announces that the race will start promptly at 9 o'clock at Midway Park, to-night, in clear at that hour. Reserved seats will be sold in the band stand, and all who intend to occupy them must be in their places at five minutes of 9, so as not to interfere with the runners in crossing the track.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Isaac Lipfeld is spending the summer at Saratoga.

—John Yocum, of Brooklyn, spent Sunday in this city.

—F. M. Funt, wife and daughter, of Newark, are guests of J. W. Funt.

—Miss Jennie Hayes has returned from a five weeks' visit at Paterson and Asbury Park.

—Miss Barbara Weaver, of Middletown, is visiting her old friends at this place. —Honesdale Independent.

—Ensign Powellson, who arrived on the Cincinnati from the Mediterranean, reached New York city, Sunday.

—Hiland H. Hunt, of 25 Cortland street, we regret to say, is still confined to his home with sciatic rheumatism.

—Thomas Northrup, of Middletown, is visiting the family of Wright Rhoades, of Wicopco street, Mattawan. —Fishkill Standard.

—Mrs. Scott, of Brooklyn, and Mrs. Frank Elliott, of Middletown, are visiting at Arthur Hoyt's, Beuten avenue. —Walton Reporter.

—Mrs. E. P. Berray, Townsend street, is entertaining Mrs. William Rowe and daughter, Miss Linda, of Middletown. —Walton Reporter.

—Mrs. John Powellson and daughter, who have been guests of A. V. N. Powellson, returned to Pluckamin, N. J., today.

—Miss Eleanor Van Erten, of Port Jervis, who was the guest of Miss Margaret P. Battreter ten days, returned home, Saturday evening.

—Matthew Donovan and daughter, Miss May, of Paterson, spent Sunday in this city with the Misses McLean on East Main street. Miss Donovan will remain here a week.

—Ed. Strack and Will Castle went to New York on an early train, yesterday morning, and, crossing to Brooklyn on their wheel, took the cycle path to Coney Island where they spent the day.

—Mrs. Priscilla Fuller, of Middletown, arrived last week, and will pass the summer with her daughter, Mrs. W. B. McCabe, Griswold street. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Mary Lloyd, who is also stopping with Mrs. McCabe. —Walton Reporter.

—Claude Crane went to Newburgh, this morning, where he will spend a week with relatives, and will then go to New York and spend a month in the dispensary department of Roosevelt Hospital, acquiring experience that will aid him in his medical studies.

—Harry Schneider and David Laughland, of New York city, the former a well known tailor at Twenty-third street and Broadway, and the latter an old employee of the New York post office, are spending the summer at H. W. Ball's, at Otisville. These gentlemen have many friends in this vicinity, having spent several summers here.

Look out for Minsi. 497ti

Had Three Mishaps and Were Delayed Two Days.

C. A. Westervelt, manager of George B. Adams' store, received a letter from Mr. Adams, Sunday. It stated that the machinery broke in the steamship Havel, three times on the way over, making them two days late.

They will sail for home from Bremen, August 17th.

Congregational Sunday School Picnic

The Sunday School of the First Congregational Church will hold its annual picnic at Midway Park, Thursday, July 29. Cars will leave the church at 9:30.

DROWNED IN THE WALKKILL

GEORGE DOLAN ENGULFED BENEATH ITS SWOLLEN WATERS.

Went Bathing Above Midway Park, Got Beyond His Depth and Sank—His Brother Stood on the Bank Powerless to Help—The Accident Happened at the Same Place that George Clark Was Drowned—The Search for the Body—Not Found Until Noon To-day.

George Dolan, a sixteen-year-old orphan, who has been employed in the saw shops and who lived with his aunt, Mrs. Thomas Carroll, at 123 Fulton street, was drowned in the Walkkill, near W. W. Shaw's landing, Sunday afternoon.

He could not swim very well and his brother, Joseph, aged nineteen, who cannot swim a stroke, stood on the bank and saw George paddle dog fashion for a moment, his face almost under water and fiery red, and then sink beneath the muddy water.

All efforts to find the body were fruitless up to noon, to-day, but it was found soon after.

George Dolan and Joseph Dolan, the latter being bartender at Daniel Schmitt's on West Main street, went up the river from Midway Park about 2 o'clock. Joseph was going in bathing and as he could not swim and knew that his younger brother could swim but little he told him not to go in.

There is a shallow bank, sandy in its makeup, on the easterly side of the Walkkill, directly opposite where W. W. Shaw's family formerly had a boat landing. The river makes a turn there and the water in low season is at least twelve feet deep on the west side. Just now it is doubtless fifteen feet deep.

The bottom on the easterly side goes down gradually from three to four feet and then quickly to six.

The small boys of this city have long used this spot as a bathing place, and two years ago George Clark, son of Mrs. Clark, on West Main street, lost his life there.

George Dolan could not resist the temptation to go in and he went into the bushes below his brother, stripped and went out into the stream.

Joseph had also removed his clothes and was about ready to wade in the shallow water when he heard a spluttering, splashing noise and looking around saw his brother in the middle of the stream. He was struggling desperately to keep above water, paddling up and down with his hands as a dog swims.

He was barely above the water, and as he sank each time low enough in the water to take it in his nostrils, he would raise his head clear of the stream by a strong effort, only to sink a moment later. His face was terribly red and distorted and with one last gurgle he sank under the current. He did not reappear.

Joe awoke to the serious turn their visit had taken and he shouted to some boys who were further up the stream to come down. They did so, but no one ventured in the stream. One boy ran down toward Midway Park, and seeing Frank Kane, of East Main street, shouted to him. The latter hurried to Midway Park, and told Capt. Watson of the accident. The latter rowed his life boat to the scene, while a hundred men and boys ran up the easterly bank. A swimmer quickly put out and aided by Capt. Watson's boat made several unsuccessful efforts to locate the body.

Alfred Price, the well known blacksmith, his son James, "Billy" Warn, Emil Martini, George Kelly and Roy Sloat joined in the search and the river bottom was tramped over where possible and divers felt along the mud in the deeper places for little George's body.

Later Daniel Schmitt, W. R. Rowley, James D. Little, Julius Korn, Samuel Gausman, Isaac Lipfeld, Charles Fankner and others in boats secured rakes from the Shaw barns and raked the ground over. James Price secured a long piece of heavy wire from Midway Park and this was dragged down the stream.

Later an old seine was secured and this was weighted with stones and sunk to the bottom unsuccessfully.

Fifty yards below where the boy was drowned is the old oak rack. An opening has been made in it about ten feet wide on the Shaw side for boats to pass through. About ten feet of water was passing through the opening, Sunday afternoon, and about three feet was running over the balance of the rack. All along here the swimmers worked. Into the whirlpool under the old work tree, where dangerous roots project, the divers went fearlessly, but no trace of the body was found there.

In the mean time the banks of the stream were becoming crowded with people from the park.

Few did anything but stand solemnly about waiting to see some swimmer come up from the bottom with blanched face which would betoken that he had come in contact with the body.

Half past five and those who had been working in the spring-chilled water for three hours gave up the search exhausted. Daniel Schmitt supplied stimulants which were rubbed over stiffening muscles and the crowd stood about and waited for new volunteers.

Finally Frank Hock and Henry Haight, of Goshen, appeared, and they made splendid efforts, going over the ground which the others had previously worked. Frank Hock discovered the Clark body there two years ago, and it was hoped that he might be successful in this instance. He is a strong swimmer and a fine diver. He gave up his search after an hour's work, and as nightfall approached the only searcher left was a son of Park Policeman John Durham, who kept at the ghastly work until after dark.

During all this time Joseph Dolan stood

on the bank stumped. His was a dry grief, and he spoke to no one. An Argus reporter took him to his home.

"There's George's clothes," he said. "I can't touch them." They were gathered up into a bundle and taken to Schmitt & Bachman's restaurant.

Officer Durham, who is an uncle of the drowned boy, offered \$10 to the finder of the body that night. He went to Goshen and secured some dynamite, with the intention of dynamiting the stream. B. J. Mallon, of whom it was secured, did not have the necessary apparatus for firing it under water, but he went to New York for it, this morning.

Permission to use this explosive was asked of Game Protector Kidd, this morning.

Word was telegraphed to Coroner Decker, who is with his family at Rockland, but he has not yet reached here. Undertaker Dougherty was also summoned, Sunday night, but he returned home from the park at 8 o'clock.

This morning blacksmith Price forged a peculiar shaped hook, or rather set of hooks, and again began a search for the body.

BODY FOUND AT 12 O'CLOCK.

Just as the whistles sounded 12 o'clock, to-day, a tramp named Joe Monahan, who had been treading water along the easterly bank of the Walkkill, a few feet from where Dolan entered the stream, shouted:

"I've got him!"

He raised the body to the surface with blanched face, dropped it and swam around where it lay. Alfred Price was on the other side of the river. He swam quickly to the tramp's side and dived down in five feet of water. The body was slowly floating down the stream and three times Price dived for it. The oarsmen sat paralyzed in their boats on the other side of the stream. "Joe" Dolan holding the oars in one, his face as white as a sheet.

Price was having great difficulty, being nearly exhausted. He came to the top of the water, holding fast to the body. It pulled him down again. When he again appeared he gasped for help and the others awoke to his danger and rowed to him. The rescuers were all greatly excited, and in the rush which followed a boat passed over Price and his burden, forcing him down to the bottom. When he again appeared an oar was extended to him and he clutched to it and was pulled to shallow water, towing the body. Several rendered assistance and the body was placed in a boat, and Price was assisted to shore half dead. He soon recovered.

Daniel Schmitt and Layard Abers brought the body in the boat to the Midway Park dock, and it was carried in the boat house where it remained until Undertaker Reilly could return with his funeral wagon.

THE MORNING'S SEARCH.

Early this morning Capt. Veber telegraphed Coroner Decker, at Rockland, who replied ordering a search, and stating that he would return this afternoon. Capt. Veber at once went to the park and placed Asst. Chief Daniel Schmitt in charge of the searchers. All the morning a crowd of unemployed men stood upon the banks. In or on the water were Daniel Schmitt, Alfred Price, James Price, John Claffy, Joseph Brown, Patrick and James Ahearn, Louis Waiczberger, the Durham boys, Thomas Martin, John Carroll, Theodore Hulse, William Flynn, Fred Malone, John E. Hulse and Will Brown.

They worked hard all the morning. They were joined about 9:30 by a tramp, Joseph Monahan. He was at the S. and W. depot, this morning, listening to a party who were discussing the drowning, when he said: "If somebody will pay my fare to Midway Park I'll go down and find that boy." A gentleman advanced the money, and when the tramp had removed what few clothes he had on at the river's edge, he went to work with a zeal which inspired the others anew.

He explored all of the ground in all depths of water, and then tried the shore line on the easterly side. Suddenly his foot struck the drowned boy's hair. It gave the tramp such a shock as he has not had in many a day. He bravely went down, however, and clutched the right arm. Raising it above water he gasped out as told above.

A small cannon was shot over the water several times during the morning.

During the half-hour preceding the find Dr. Kidd telephoned the Argus that dynamite might be used in the Walkkill in the search, and a party of men who had been at the scene all the morning came to this city and secured several sticks of the explosive. They were returning with it on the 12:45 car when an Argus reporter informed them of the finding of the body, and the dynamite was returned to Swallow & Son, who furnished it.

The body was brought to this city at 2 o'clock by undertaker Reilly, and rests

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in his undertaking rooms. It was in a perfectly natural state, a slight bloating of the purple hue being the only change in what was young George Dolan of Sunday afternoon.

The drowning is a sad one, and should be a lesson to other young men who enter swift-running, deep water away from all assistance.

George Dolan, the drowned lad, was sixteen years of age. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Dolan, deceased. His surviving relatives are the brother Joseph, and a sister, Mary Dolan, of Newark.

He was a bright, witty boy, and a still of fun as any of his companions.

BURGLARS CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Arrested by a Vigilant Officer While Robbing a Goshen Meat Market.

From our Goshen correspondent.

Last night an attempt was made to enter the meat market of J. B. Clark, on West Main street. Officer William Ehlers going by saw the burglars at work, and promptly captured them. Their booty consisted of forty-seven cents in money and a bologna sausage. They were arraigned before Justice Sweeney, this morning, and held for the Grand Jury. One of the burglars is a negro, and gives his name and address as Ezekiah Brown, of Philadelphia. His companion is a white man, Edward Miller, of Dayton, Ohio.

SPUR TO FAIR GROUND.

It Will go to Mennerchor Park as Well

The plan to run a spur from the trolley line near the Campbell road across the meadow to the gate of the fair grounds has been changed, and instead it will leave the main line near the Ira S. Gardner property, at the city limits, and go through the Mennerchor Park, and thence down to a point near the entrance to the Driving Park. The spur can thus be used for picnic parties at Mennerchor Park.

Turf and Horse Notes.

—Trainer Pinchen, of the Stratton stable, drove a thirteen-month-old colt around town, Saturday afternoon, hitched to a light-running sulky. The colt, Mary Louise, is a daughter of Pie Lijero. She has done a mile in 4.04, and an eighth in 31 seconds. Pinchen believes he has a trotter, and judging from the easy way in which the colt takes his driving perhaps he has.

Ontario Won.

The Ontario base ball team defeated Capt. Wallace's Fulton street team, at the Ontario grounds, Saturday afternoon, by a score of 14 to 7. Capt. Wallace states that he would have won if he "only had the players." "Jamesie" Miller, the well known colored ball player, was the feature of the game.

The City Has Brought Suit Against the Traction Company.

The city has brought suit against the Traction Company through City Attorney Wiggins. The papers have been served and the fight may now be said to have commenced. The Traction Company intends to see that its interests are well taken care of and the result will be awaited with interest.

Fell and Broke Her Arm.

Florence Helen, the six-year-old daughter of William Allison, fell from the porch at C. C. Lutes' home on Watkins avenue, Sunday afternoon, and broke her right arm below the elbow. Dr. Pillsbury set the fracture.

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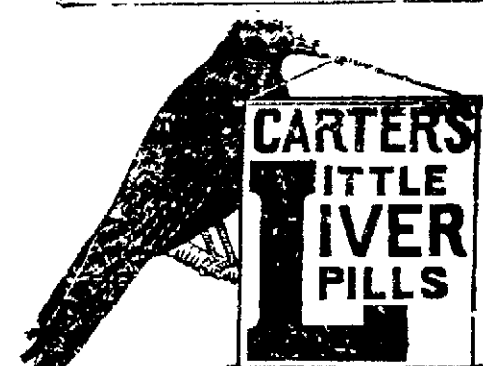
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A woman 73 years of age is an active and useful member of the French army. She has been wounded many times, seriously in many cases, but appears to have many years of activity still before her.

Her last adventure was to fall off her bicycle, which she had just learned to ride, and open an old wound. She has already recovered from that little accident.

Mother Ibrahim, as this remarkable old person is called, is the cantiniere of the Second Zouaves. She has followed her regiment all over the world, sharing all its perils and hardships. She exposed herself to fire as cheerfully as the bravest soldier in the regiment.

The cantinieres of the French army are famous in song and story, and their services are often very valuable. They carry water and other kinds of drinks and refreshments, and many a wounded soldier has owed his life to their aid.

It is peculiarly interesting to call attention to this old woman just now, because many people are under the impression that women have only begun to do extraordinary things within the past few years. The venerable cantiniere was hard at work, tramping round the world and taking her part in battles, years and years before the present craze about women's achievements was heard of. It will be found on examination that in all ages some women have been in the habit of doing strange things.

Mother Ibrahim was born in Egypt, the daughter of a soldier of the great Napoleon. She married a non-commissioned officer of Turcos, who is now dead.

In appearance she is small, upright and wrinkled. Her eyes are black and lively, her hair is white, but thick. Her whole bearing is military and alert.

Her usual uniform includes a zouave turban and very loose zouave trousers. She was therefore a pioneer of the bloomer movement, although no one thought of her as a great dress reformer.

She also wears the red ribbon of the cross of the Legion of Honor, the military medal and the medals of the Crimea, Italy and Tunis, all of which have been conferred upon her.

She has so many wounds that she can hardly count them. Nine she thinks



MOTHER ISRAHIM IN UNIFORM. She has been wounded in the left shoulder, in the stomach, in the heel, in the right side. Bullets, sabers and bayonets have inflicted them. She has lost three ribs.

She was present at the assault of the Malakoff in the Crimea, at the battle of Solferino, and took part in the Mexican campaign.

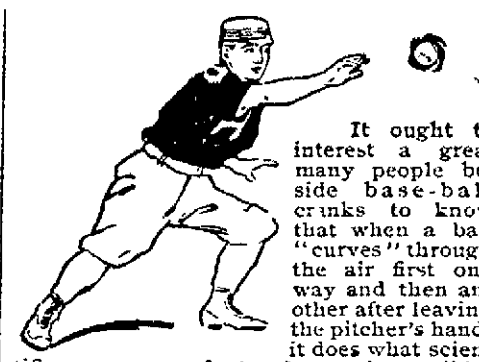
After the battle of Sedan a German soldier smashed her left shoulder while she was attempting to rejoin some men of her regiment, who were being taken prisoners to Berlin. In Tonquin she was picked up, with her arm terribly mangled by three knife cuts. The surgeons wanted to amputate it, but she refused, and to-day she can guide a bicycle with it.

After an accident at Toulon, where she lives, she had to go to Paris to undergo an operation. The evening she left the hospital she was received by President Faure, to whom she presented the barrel of the zouave regiment, for which he had asked. — N. Y. Journal.

A person who has never made the trip from Port Limon to San Jose, Costa Rica, said Engineer Mapo, of the I. D. Wood, the other evening, "cannot even form an estimate of the wonderful beauty of the journey, save by a comparison with the ascent of the Great Arête in Colorado. When I was in Costa Rica a few years ago I accompanied the constructing engineer of the Panama canal, who happened to be in Limon at the same time, over the trip, and although I was foolish enough to make the trip in a suit of my own, I enjoyed it hugely. The road to San Jose is only about 100 miles in length, but the steep, winding and turnings compel the driver to be careful, and on many occasions the wheels slip, the journey takes as long as 14 hours. The road is a good one and you pass from the mountains on the coast to coffee plantations on the hills, and then up to an altitude of 9,000 feet is reached. You change climates, and the trip is a most interesting one."

Where Women Choose Husbands.

Between the mountains of India and Persia a powerful tribe among whom an extraordinary custom prevails. Women's rights apparently have received full recognition, for the ladies of the tribe can choose their own husbands. All a single woman has to do when she wishes to change her state is to send a servant to pin a handkerchief to the hat of the man on whom her fancy lights, and he is obliged to marry her, unless he can show that he is too poor to purchase her at the price her father requires. — Chicago Tribune.



It ought to interest a great many people beside base-ball cranks to know that when a ball curves through the air first one way and then another after leaving the pitcher's hand, it does what science and proven facts declare was impossible. They made figures and diagrams and proved that "curve" pitching couldn't be done; then the pitchers did it; and the scientists concluded that something was wrong with the diagrams. In fact of facts some scientific "certainties" become mighty uncertain.

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Dated Feb. 1st, 1897.
JOHN YOUNG, Administrator.
T. S. HULSE, Attorney for Adm. W. T. S. HULSE.

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Isaac Wilcox, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of said estate, at his place of residence, in the town of Walkkill, on or before the 15th day of September next.

Dated April 1st, 1897.
DILL & COX, Attorneys for Executor, Wm. Cox.

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of William N. White, late of the town of Walkkill, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of said estate, at his place of residence, in the town of Walkkill, on or before the 15th day of September next.

Dated March 9th, 1897.
H. BENTON WHITE, Adm.
HENRY W. WIGGINS, Counselor at Law, Middletown, N. Y.

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Isaac Wilcox, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of said estate, at his place of residence, in the town of Walkkill, on or before the 15th day of September next.

Dated March 1st, 1897.
T. S. HULSE, Attorney for Executor. W. T. S. HULSE.

INCREASED COTTON PRODUCT.

Improvement in Agricultural Methods in Twenty Years.

Some recently published figures and other data with regard to the growth of cotton production are interesting. Says the Savannah (Ga.) News. In 1875 the average yield per acre was 260 pounds. During the 20 years the acreage devoted to cotton cultivation increased 128 per cent, while the production increased 183 per cent. That is to say, the farms of the present day are much more productive than were those of 20 years ago. The reason is, as every practical farmer knows, that agricultural methods have been greatly improved during the time. Inventors and chemists have labored with the farmer to the end of bringing the lands up to a higher state of productivity. The former have produced new implements for the cultivation of the soil in an improved and at the same time labor-saving manner. The latter have instructed the farmer as to the chemical elements needed for the enrichment of his soil, and the fertilizer manufacturer has provided those elements in convenient form for utilization. Rule-of-thumb farming has to a great degree given way to scientific farming. Those farmers who have not their own test tubes and text books are readers of good agricultural periodicals, which supply useful and accurate information with regard to soils, fertilizers, etc., to take the place of guesswork. The farms, like everything else, is progressing.

ATE A BARREL OF EGGS A DAY.

Shipwrecked Men Subsisted on Them Solely for Twelve Days.

"Do you like eggs?" was the question that stirred up a "40-er" to make some talk in a Bangor store the other day. He was an old man, says the Lewiston Journal, and he straightened up to something like the height of his prime as he answered: "I had a surfeit of them once. 'Twas toward 50 years when I was on the way home from California. We left the isthmus on a good brig bound for New York, but ran into a coral reef in the Caribbean sea and were wrecked. It was a patch of sand just out of the water, but you ought to see the flocks of sea fowl that nested on it! They had to move out of the way to give us room to stay there, and that was about all they would do. Their nests were everywhere, and there were eggs in abundance. We ate about a barrel of them every day during the 12 days we were there. Some of us got off in a boat and went to San Juan, in Nicaragua, where we got a vessel to go after those we left on the reef. That vessel was commanded by William Lawrence, of Bath, who was killed by a man named Wilkinson while he was a policeman there. We tried to get to the reef, but bad weather drove us up so we had to set in for New Orleans, where we found the rest of the men rescued by another vessel. But eggs!—the old man's face took on a peculiar expression.

UNABLE TO MAKE THE CHANGE.

Predicament of the Cashier of a Downtown Resort with His Cash Register.

There were three in one party and two in the other. They were standing before the white-aproned dispenser of refreshments, says a Chicago exchange, and one of the three invited the entire party to have something. The dispenser dealt out the order of the three, took the dollar offered in payment and handed back 25 cents in change. The other two, standing a short distance away, were not served, as there was a mistake on the part of the cashier. The bill amounted to less than a quarter according to the refreshments served the three. The host examined his coin and then looked surprised and grieved.

"I gave you a dollar, he said.

"Was it a dollar? How much change did I give you?"

"Thirty-five cents."

"Well, I will have to wait until somebody buys. I don't dare open the register, as there is a false balance on it. Every time I open it means a purchase charged to me. Sorry, but we will have to wait."

The man to whom the change was coming stood by and waited until the cash purchase was made before he could get his money. He was the only one in the party who did not enjoy the situation. He remarked, gloomily, that he never had much use for cash registers, anyway.

PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

Dr. J. M. Toner, the Smithsonian writer and expert, who died recently, was never married. He occupied a large house in Washington alone.

The widow of Prof. Huxley is to receive a pension of £200 a year, her name having just been placed on the English civil list for that amount.

Rudyard Kipling is evidently not going to remove his residence to England, judging from the following note taken from a Bennington (Vt.) paper: "Rudyard Kipling will build an additional farm barn on his premises."

M. Federewski was in London recently, but kept his journey from Paris very secret, as he did not wish to be asked to play in public. He went there to consult with an English physician, who, it is hoped, is curing the great pianist's only child—a cripple.

A waiter in a Portland hotel who was especially obsequious to George Gould and his party, on the recent visit of the millionaire to that city, was more than grieved when Mr. Gould, at the close of the meal, took two dimes from his pocket, laid them on the table, and left the room.

Marie Alacoue, whose supernatural experiences gave rise to the Order of the Sacred Heart, having now been dead over 200 years, is a candidate for canonization. Cardinal Perraud has taken to Rome a petition signed by 270 cardinals, archbishops and bishops, begging the pope to hasten on the necessary proceedings.

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A LIVELY "GRIEVANCE DAY."

Many Property Owners Appear Before the Assessors Seeking Reductions of Their Assessments—The Questions They Were Required to Answer.

To-day was "grievance day" before the Middletown assessors, and it was the liveliest "grievance day" that Middletown has ever known. The general increase in the valuation of real estate and the assessment of personal property that has not heretofore figured on the tax roll brought many property owners before the assessors to secure a reduction of their assessments. Many women were among the aggrieved property owners.

Every applicant for a reduction was furnished with a printed blank containing many questions, which they were required to answer, and then they were sworn as to the truthfulness of their answers. The questions were as follows:

What is your name and residence?
What reduction do you ask in the valuation of said real estate?
On what grounds do you ask it?
When did you acquire it?

How (by purchase, inheritance, etc.)? If by purchase, when did you buy it? What did you pay for it?

What improvements have been made upon it, and at what outlay?

On what grounds do you ask for a reduction of the assessment on said personal property?

What is the nature of said personal estate (notes, mortgages, bank deposits, accounts, chattels, etc.)?

How much have you invested in each?

How much have you on deposit in savings banks?

How much have you invested in securities or properties in other States, and which securities are in your possession or in the possession of other persons residing in this State?

How much of your personal estate is invested in United States securities or other non-taxable property?

How much in each?

What does your indebtedness consist of?

Has any of your indebtedness been contracted or incurred in the purchase of non-taxable property or securities?

If it has, how much?

Is any portion of it for or on account of any indirect liability as surety, guarantor or indorser?

If so, how much?

Is any portion of it for or on account of any debt or liability contracted or incurred for the purpose of evading taxation?

How much money, received from pension or bounty money, have you invested in your personal property or real estate?

What is the net value of your personal estate after deducting your total indebtedness and exempt property?

In some instances the assessors asked additional questions of their own propounding.

In not a few cases, persons who had come to object to personal property assessments, decided to allow the assessments to stand rather than to give the information concerning their private affairs that was involved in answering the printed questions.

About fifty persons, however, filled out the blanks and made affidavit to their answers. These affidavits were filed by the assessors and will be considered later. Most of the affidavits were made to secure a reduction or cancellation of assessments on bank stock.

There was considerable growling about the increased assessments on real estate, but most property owners when they found that the increase had been general let the matter drop. Alow, however, made earnest efforts to convince the assessors that they had rated their properties too high.

RESENTED AN INSULT.

Rev. C. K. Capron Strikes a Man Who Called Him a Liar.

Rev. Cyrus K. Capron, formerly of this city, who is now in the real estate business at Orange, N. J., had a dispute Saturday, with a contractor named King in the Prudential building in Newark. The contractor claimed that Mr. Capron owed him \$700. Mr. Capron denied the indebtedness, and King called him a liar, whereupon Mr. Capron's fist went "thud" against King's jaw. Blows were exchanged thick and fast for a minute or so, and then a policeman separated them. Mr. Capron received a bad cut over the eye, but King seemed unharmed.

Five Prospects of the Peach Crop in This Section.

The peach crop in this section will be a very large one. Many trees in this city are so loaded that it is clearly necessary to top up the limbs. The peach orchards in this vicinity all look well and the trees are well loaded. The largest crop in this section will be marketed by Capt. Sullivan, of Peach Wood Farm near Bloomington, who has 11,000 trees.

Cut the Weeds and Trim the Branches.

The Traction Company should send out a good strong man to cut the weeds along their tracks to Midway Park, and mow them to trim a few limbs which slap the rider uncomfortably in the face. The dust laden weeds run the trousers of those who stand upon the steps of the cars.

Grain Sprouting in the Shear.

Hundreds of acres of rye in the shear are going to waste in this city. For two weeks or more the grain has been subjected to a succession of soaking rains. Much of it is sprouted, and even the straw is rotting. The crop, which was a splendid one, has been an almost total loss.

Fine Bush Races Adjourned Two Weeks.

Owing to the heavy storm Saturday afternoon, at Pine Bush, the races were postponed for two weeks.

AYRES FURTHER AHEAD.

Gained Five Laps, Saturday Night, and Looks Like a Sure First Place Winner.

Clarence Ayres has a snap in the go-as-you-please at Midway Park. He has taken the hearts of the other runners and he sports ahead and gains a lap any time in the race that he desires to, while the others keep up their even gait for second place.

Mikes still holds second position, two laps ahead of Moore and eleven ahead of the next nearest man, Rockefeller.

Ayres finished remarkably strong, Saturday night, amid much applause. Mikes had a lame ankle, but he hung out the hour and finished in good condition.

Moore, who has a great many friends outside of the ring, keeps prying steadily along and his trainers predict that he will land in second place if not in first place. Jones and Rockefeller ran well, taking up several laps on the leaders who seem no longer to fear them. Miller made as much fun as usual.

The score at the end of the hour, Saturday night, was:

Ayres	32	11
Mikes	32	2
Moore	32	2
A. Rockefeller	31	6
Jones	28	5
Miller	27	5

The race will be continued to-night and to-morrow night. Owing to the stores being open to-night the race will not begin until 9 o'clock and the start will be at the same hour, to-morrow night.

NOT YET DECIDED.

The New York Grocers' Excursion May Come Here This Season.

The report that the New York Retail Grocers' Union has decided not to come to Midway Park for its annual outing is incorrect. No action has as yet been taken. If the Grocers decide to take an outing this summer Midway Park will certainly be the place visited.

The Grocers hold a midsummer's night picnic at Sulzer's Harlem River Park, Wednesday night, and Supt. Urban and a party of Middletown gentlemen will attend in the hope of getting the leaders to join with a similar organization having headquarters in Brooklyn and arrange for a trip to Midway.

JUMPED FROM A TRAIN.

A Sleepy Woman's Wonderful Escape From Injury.

While an excursion train on the Monticello road was returning to Port Jervis from Monticello, late Friday night, some one shouted "Main street" just after the train had passed Rose's Point, and a very heavy woman, roused from sleep by the shout, rushed to the door and jumped off. Fortunately she landed in a soft spot, and when the train backed up for her was found to have escaped injury.

Look out for Mins. 397th

All Signs Fall in Wet Weather.

When the eastern heavens were made all aglow yesterday afternoon, by a rainbow of most unusual beauty all who saw it regarded it as a bow of promise of clear weather, and great was the disgust when a fresh downpour of rain set in in the night. The old jingle,

A rainbow at night,
A sailor's delight,
A rainbow in the morning,
A sailor's warning,

doesn't hold good after a rainy St. Swin's day.

House Struck by Lightning in Port Jervis.

During Friday afternoon's storm lightning struck the house of James M. Decker, on Hamilton street, Port Jervis, pierced the roof in three places, shattered two rafters, and knocked the plaster from the chimney, which it followed down to the cellar. Three persons in the house were struck by splinters from the shattered rafters, but escaped other injury. The shock was felt by several persons in the vicinity of the house.

Susquehanna and Western Earnings.

The New York Susquehanna and Western Railroad reports gross earnings for June of \$182,536, an increase of \$527 as compared with the same month of last year, and net \$82,952, an increase of \$5,333. For the year ending June 30th the gross earnings were \$2,248,823, an increase of \$48,451 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net \$1,012,508, an increase of \$61,087.

Founded a Dynamite Cartridge.

Ats, the seven-year-old daughter of W. E. Combs, of Pine's Brook, Delaware county, found a dynamite cartridge, and tried to open it with a stone. The explosion which followed cut her in a dozen places but, strange to say, none of her injuries are serious. Another child standing near escaped almost unhurt.

Good Shooting on the Range at Bauer's Park.

John O'Brien and Herman Bauer competed at the rifle range at Bauer's Park, Saturday afternoon. Each made three bull-eyes twice, and Herman won making one bull-eye and two fours, defeating O'Brien by one point.

Returned From Stevensville.

S. S. Dicker and C. H. Van Schuick and their wives returned, Saturday, from a fortnight's fishing trip at Stevensville Lake, near Liberty. They had excellent luck and return greatly benefitted by their outing.

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THE LAST SAD RITES.

Funeral of Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald at Walden.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie R. Rowland, beloved wife of Rev. T. Fitzgerald, of Mt. Hope, took place in Walden at the beautiful mansion of her mother, on Tuesday, the 20th inst., at 2:30 o'clock, as previously announced. The Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., of Middletown, had charge of the services. After reading some appropriate selections of scripture Dr. Beattie spoke of the deceased in feeling terms from the words "She hath done what she could." The Rev. L. Littell, of Mt. Hope, followed with tender and appropriate remarks, and the Rev. R. H. Craig, of Amity, closed the service with prayer. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives. Among the latter we noticed the brother, Joseph W. Rowland, secretary of the Walden Knife Company, and the sister, Mrs. Hulslander. Of course the widowed mother of Mrs. Fitzgerald was there in deep mourning and Mr. Fitzgerald and his three children, Rowland, Ethel and Daisy, aged respectively 16, 14 and 11 years, bowed down in the deepest sorrow. The remains were laid to rest in the Rowland family burying plot and so closed the earthly career of one of the best of wives and mothers, and a minister's helpmate who had the good word and affectionate regard of all the people in the congregation where God's providence had called her to reside.

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BLEND - COFFEE.
SLOAT'S
Cash Store.

MARRIED.

FARRELL—RADZINSKY—At Goschen, July 26th, '97, by Rev. Father Corry, Charles F. Farrell and Charlotte Radzinsky, both of Goschen.
MILL—LAMOREAUX—At Goschen, July 21st, '97, by Rev. Robert Clark, Charles Franklin McGill, of Cornwall, and Ruth Jane Lamoreaux, of Oxford Depot.
BARLEY—SHARROCK—At Port Jervis, July 21st, '97, by Ezra T. Sanford, Alonzo H. Barley and Emma T. Sharrock, both of Port Jervis.
VANNOY—BARCOCK—At Brooklyn, July 21st, '97, by Rev. W. H. Hildart, Peter F. VanNoy, of Port Jervis, and Bena Barcock.

DIED.

TRYON—Near this city, July 25th, '97, Sarah J. widow of the late S. Tryon, aged eighty-nine, and one month, eleven days.
Funeral services will take place from her late residence, Wednesday afternoon, at two thirty o'clock. Interment in family plot, Hillside Cemetery.
BOOKS—At Montgomery, July 22d, '97, Mrs. Lillian Bookstaver, aged eighty-seven years.
FITZGERALD—At Mount Hope, July 17th, '97, Anna E. Rowland, wife of Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald, aged forty-five years.
LEMON—Near Oriskany, July 15th, '97, Henry Lemon, aged fifty-two years.
CONINE—At Port Jervis, July 24th, '97, Hannah, widow of the late Peter Conine, aged seventy-four years.
COOK—At Van's Gate, July 21st, '97, Sarah J. Cook, aged fifty-three years.
DODGE—At Onondaga, July 19th, '97, Mrs. Harriet N. Dodge, aged fifty-nine years.
LITTLE—At Brodsville, July 19th, '97, Mary Adeline Bennett, wife of Milton M. Little, aged sixty-six years, three months, twenty-two days.

HURD O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 80 Cortland street, Middletown, N. Y. Lady assistant, New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant, Telephone Call No. 10.

JOHN GOSOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street, Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cortland street, Middletown, N. Y. 40 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. 45 Great Jones street, New York.

D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, Lady assistant, Telephone 158, Middletown, N. Y. 40 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. 45 Great Jones street, New York.

JOHN BENT FROM SEPTEMBER 1st. Seven-room house, centrally located, all improvements, rent reasonable. Apply at this office.

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Jane Wickham, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at the First National Bank, in the city of Middletown, on or before the first day of February, 1898.

S. W. ROBERTSON, Executor. J. F. BRADNER, attorney for executor. Middletown.

ONLY SIX DAYS TO INVENTORY.

Entire lot of merchandise has gone in a day in this Great Sale. You would think a cyclone struck some parts of the stock. The

Shirt Waists for Instance

and what's left can be had at 29 CENTS each, prices were 50c to \$1.25.

A Lot of Wing Sleeve Vests

of soft cotton, ribbed, heretofore thought cheap at 12 1/2c, this sale

15c Band Bows,

light patterns.

12c Ribbed Hose at 7 1/2c.

Children's sizes, both black and tans. We said 7 1/2c. Most every one will want from 4 to 8 pair, fractions count.

About Two Dozen Umbrellas

at 29c Each.

Not silk covered, Not steel rods, Not warranted, Not the dollar kind either, but worth more than the price.

White Laundered Shirts 32c.

sizes 14 1/2 and 16, about 50c value

From Japan, via Economy Route,

Rice Straw Whisk Brooms

Two Cents.

Men's Socks 2 1/2c a Pair,

seamless, soft yarn, white heel and toe, very cheap, in fact a big bargain

None of These Goods

are in large quantities. This is a clearance sale previous to inventory. Flowers talk with tin horns and nickel plated handles has no interest to you if the goods are not in stock.

24 Sheets of Note Paper 1 Cent

Garden Set for 5 Cents,

12 Bone Collar Buttons 2 Cents

Bixby's Liquid Shoe Polish,

for black shoes, 5 CENTS, for tan shoes get Griffin's Cleaner and Paste on.

Large Spools Basting Cotton 1c.

Never before, small lot.

That Reminds Us, Best Spool

Cotton in the world, 3c.

10 Dozen 25 and 50c Wreaths

for children's hats, pink, blue, white, red, orange. Take them at

15c Table Oil Cloth 9c a Yard,

white, marble and colors.

These Goods on Sale

Monday, a. m.

Economy Store,

118 NORTH STREET.

THE Misses Porter's English and Classical Boarding and Day School will re-open Sept. 15th. d8at2mSept14

BIG Auction Sale of Horses, Carriages, Harness, etc., at Low Wilkins's Livery Stables, West Main street, beginning at noon, Tuesday, July 27th. Terms—Credit. Don't fail to attend this sale. W. S. ROE. P. F. KAUFMAN, Auctioneer. 10c&10d

PRETTY Cottage for Rent. Rent very reasonable. VANAMER, WATTS & VAH. 81dtt No. 4 East Main street.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middletown Aug. 26th and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James street. 18d&w8mSept17

ONE CENT A WORD

for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

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SWIFT Lilia Cream for the complexion. Cures sunburn and tan, softens and beautifies the skin. Cures pimples, elegantly perfumed. 25c a bottle. Trv it. Sold at

CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

CARPENTERS' Boring Machine and 2 augers, in good condition; price \$1.50 very cheap; fine bed lounge and large easy chair at the

EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

NO MESSAGE HEALER—Blood purified. Skin diseases, rheumatism and salt rheum cured. See MARIE L. DEVENNEY, M. D., V. D., C. M. S. Branch office 22 Highland avenue.

PAPER Hanging at 12 1/2c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMUL MARTINI, Shop 5 Academy Ave.

WANTED—Ladies to remember that you swore off on having your shoes repaired with nails it makes them stiff and heavy. GRAY sews on the sole, which makes your shoes feel flexible. The cost is no more.

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WANTED, on bond and mortgage, \$3,000, 5 mile from Middletown, 30 acres black dirt, good buildings, worth \$7,000.

MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, No. 57 North street.

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SPECIAL SALE at MRS. BUSH'S—Hats and Flowers bought at less than half the usual prices. Wire Frames 10 cts., Straw Brides 5 cts., Wines 15c a pair. 60d&wtt

MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

SMOKE the Admiral Cigarette. Ticket with every package. Fifteen tickets will secure a handsome leather cigarette case; 30, pearl handle pocket knife; 50, Spalding eyeglasses; 50, bicycle lamp; 75, handsome watch (stem set).

Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street Middletown.

42d&w13My20 N. D. MILLS, Prop.

EXTRACTING with gas 20c., odontometer 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth \$8, \$5 and \$10 a set. Twenty years experience.

DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

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Dealers in Gravel and Asphaltum Roofing, Metallic, Rubber and Asphaltum Paints.

These paints are used for such as tin, iron or steel roofs, brick walls, tanks, fire fronts, boilers, steam pipes or any metallic surface subjected to a high degree of temperature, also felt, canvas or stucco roofs. Mending and repairing of roofs a specialty. One coat of our paint will last five years.

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